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VIA E-MAIL AND US MAIL

Mr. Ed Smith  
Compliance Manager  
Sequoia Voting Systems  
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Denver, CO 80222

Re: Colorado Voting System

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Sequoia Voting Systems (Sequoia) voting system was submitted to the Colorado Secretary of State for testing and consideration for certification for use in Colorado elections. On December 17, 2007, I notified you of the conditional certification of the WinEDS Software, the Optech Insight Precinct Scanner and the Optech 400-C Central Count Scanner and the decertification of the DRE: Edge II (including VeriVote, Edge Audio Unit and Card Activator), Version Number 5.0.31/4.3/5.0 Rev. C and Edge II Plus (including HAAT Model 50), Version Number 1.2.33.

On February 11, 2008, Governor Bill Ritter signed House Bill 08-1155 into law. This legislation extends my authority over the 2007 testing process and allows for additional testing and communication with the vendors and the counties. The legislation provides additional authority for me to amend or rescind any of the orders I issued on December 17, 2007 under specified circumstances. In deciding to amend or rescind an order, the legislation requires me to consider county accuracy and security procedures, audits, processing functions, and other relevant procedures in accordance with the laws and rules governing the conduct of elections.

On February 25, 2008, pursuant to H.B. 08-1155 and after additional testing, I decided to amend my previous order and conditionally certify the Sequoia Edge II and Edge II Plus Direct Record Electronic (DRE)) voting machines.

Today, after conducting public hearings and reviewing written comments regarding the Conditions for Use (Condition) imposed on voting systems certified for use in the State of Colorado; I have decided pursuant to H.B. 08-1155 to amend the Conditions for the Sequoia voting system. Please review the updated conditions detailed in the "Sequoia Voting System Project Overview - A.4" (Project Overview) which is posted on the Secretary of State's website. The Conditions presented are not foreclosed from further changes pursuant to section 1-5-621(7), C.R.S., if additional information is presented which warrants the change.

I appreciate the continued support and input from your company and each of the counties using the Sequoia voting system. Your knowledge is invaluable and has been beneficial to me in making this decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Coffman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mike Coffman  
Secretary of State

cc: County Clerk and Recorders of counties using Sequoia voting systems:  
Nancy Doty, Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder  
Stephanie O'Malley, Denver County Clerk and Recorder  
Amy Fordyce, Elbert County Clerk and Recorder  
Gilbert Ortiz, Pueblo County Clerk and Recorder